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SALLY FORTH



THE AMAZING SPIDER-MAN



9 CHICKWEED LANE



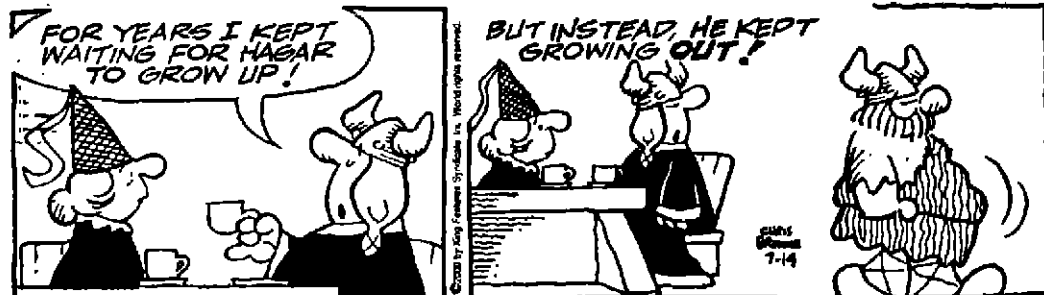
ANDY CAPP



ROSE IS ROSE



HAGAR THE HORRIBLE



MOTHER GOOSE AND GRIMM



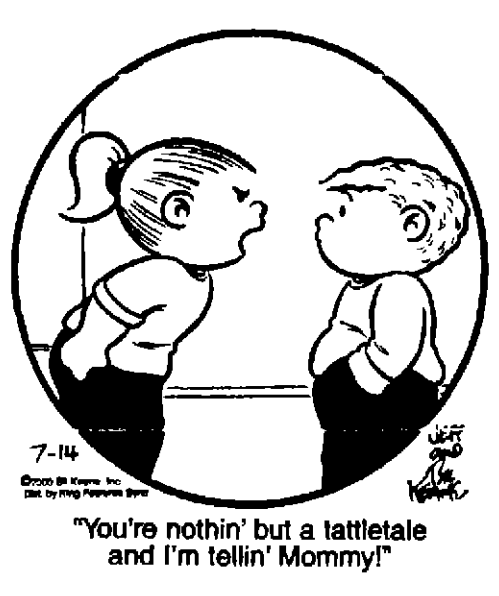
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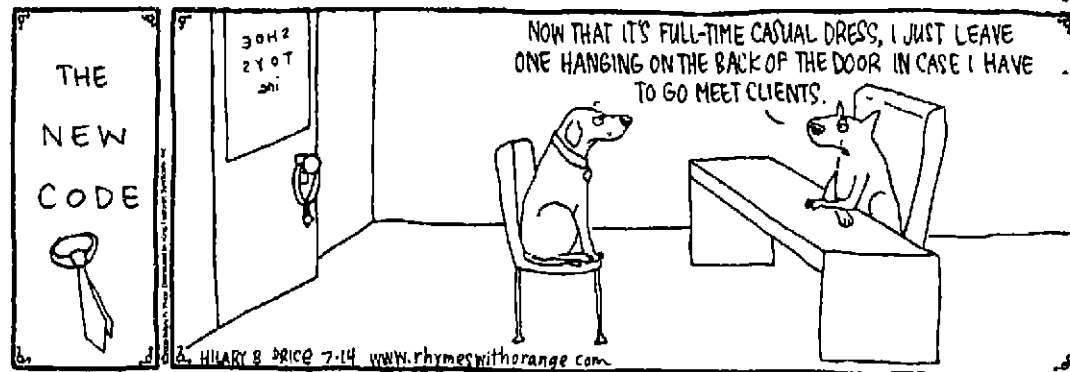
DENNIS THE MENACE



FAMILY CIRCUS



RHYMES WITH ORANGE



RALPH



"We've got to cut salaries 15%. But you deserve a raise, so you'll only be cut 12%."

Today's Birthdays

Actress Gloria Stuart is 90.
Animator William Hanna is 90.
Former President Gerald R. Ford is 87.
Movie and stage director Ingmar Bergman is 82.
Actor Dale Robertson is 77.
Actor Harry Dean Stanton is 74.
Actress Nancy Olson is 72.
Actress Polly Bergen is 70.
Former football player Rosay Griss is 68.
Country singer Del Reeves is 68.
Actor Jerry Houser is 48.

I NEED HELP



When jockeys honeymoon.

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PAR SCORE 70-80
by JUDD

FOUR RACK TOTAL
TIME LIMIT 20 MIN

DIRECTIONS: Make a 2 to 7 letter word from the letters in each row. Add points of each word using scoring directions at right. 7 letter words get 50-point bonus. "Blank" used as any letter have no point value. All Judd's words are in The Official Scrabble Players Dictionary (Merriam-Webster) and OSW Official Scrabble Words (Chambers). JUDD'S SOLUTION TOMORROW 7-14-00 © 2000 United Feature Syndicate, Inc.

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WORD SLEUTH

LONG—

ZUQM JFGBYUSROKH
DADISTANCEHXXUQ
NKHBYUNIVOSP MJ
HEBYVTQOORRLIGD
BYWTRRPINEEMKIF
DBYWUSITTWMFWPQ
OMKWIFDAMBAIFMZ
XWUSOQORHONRTUN
LJHFDDBEUCDAYDJS
WVTSQTPDEGGELNL
KIHFECEBDEVILUAH

Thursday's worded clue: **HORSEBY**
Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions - forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.
Friday's worded clue hint: **LAUNCHES ARROWS**

Boat	Hair	Legged	Term
Distance	Haul	Lived	Time
Drawn-out	Horn	Shoreman	Winded
Duration	Jump	Snuffing	

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HOROSCOPE

For Saturday, July 15, 2000

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Your career will be advanced through an unexpected series of events.
TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) You will be back in top form after a frustrating period of lethargy.
GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) There will be duties around the home that need your attention right now.
CANCER (June 21 to July 22) An overly ambitious co-worker might cause some difficulties.
LEO (July 23 to Aug. 22) If you are worried about your performance, take a step back and try to gauge others' responses.
VIRGO (Aug. 23 to Sept. 22) You might not want to reveal your true feelings to someone just yet.
LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) Try to stay open-minded, even in the face of quite surprising events.
SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) A leadership vacuum will arise and need to be refilled.
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) The harder you work, the better your luck will seem.
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19) People will admire your loyalty and dedication in the face of a difficult decision.
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18) While ambition is a fine thing to get you up in the morning, now is the time to keep your goals realistic.
PISCES (Feb. 19 to March 20) If you pool resources with others, your dreams are likely to become reality.

ACES

By Bobby Wolff

South put up dummy's heart king and ruffed East's ace. Three top trumps exhausted trumps, and South led his diamond king. On the king, West carefully signaled count with his diamond nine. East refused to win South's king, and another diamond went to East's ace. (High-low count signals promise an even number; low-high promises an odd number.) What now? Obviously, the only chance for three more winners lay in the club suit. Should East lead his king to promise the queen? That was what East did to blow the game. West overtook and returned the suit, but the defenders could win only two club tricks. Had West allowed the king to hold, it wouldn't have mattered. After winning his ace, he would have to lead a red card to South's dead dummy. East beats the game if he takes time to visualize South's distribution. He knows South has seven trumps and two diamonds. The void in hearts leaves him with four clubs. Just as important, West has only two clubs. Therefore, East should lead a low club instead of the king. West would win his ace and return the suit, earning a well-deserved one down.

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ACROSS

1 Tube's role, maybe
9 Division
15 Working together (with)
16 Toy, of a sort
17 Oxygen aschever
18 Aspects of problems
19 Like the Great Plains
20 Radio couple at 79 Wistful Vista
21 Sisk, neighbor
22 Like C-rated bonds
23 Box
28 Pounds

30 Washoe County seat
31 Part of an act
38 Popular firewood
39 Short
37 Boise's county
38 Infatuated with
40 Smokes
41 Ancient Qumran dweller
42 It talks
43 Polo, e.g.
46 Predicament
46 Poe poem
60 Board game with mmmmming battalions
64 Shortly
66 Sam's place in "Casablanca"

66 Ballroom dance
67 Secret identity
68 Appear that way
69 Aspirin and codeine

DOWN

1 Leaning
2 Queen style
3 Hit hard
4 Understand the true nature of
6 Flag locale
6 Plato's plaza
7 Mental block?
8 Like some golf balls
9 Modern junk
10 Not metaphysical
11 Greedy
12 Lollygags
13 Well-groomed
14 Not well-groomed
23 Snappish one
24 Relatively safe military position
25 Singer Paul
27 Subatomic particle
28 Unsettled
29 German: Abbr.
31 Sp titles

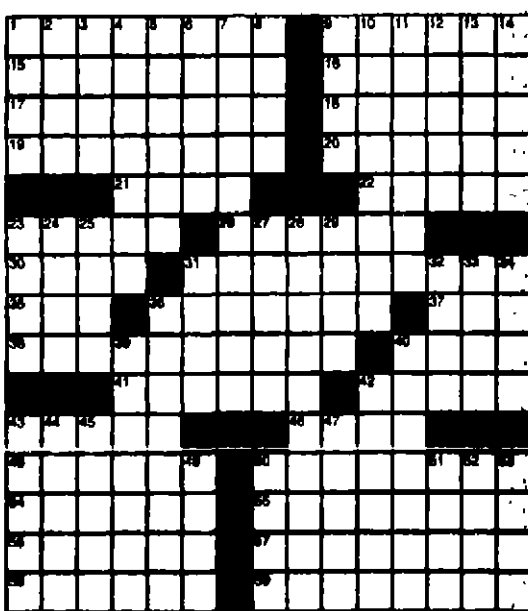


Photo by Henry Jones

43 Some sizes
44 Skating name of fame
45 Absurd
47 Museo del
49 Outer Prefix
50 Labrador retriever?
51 "Personal Witness" author
52 Brave, in a way
53 Metal containers

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